

## **Town of Arlington**

### **Transportation Advisory Committee**

Minutes of 10/8/14, 7:15 pm to 9:35 pm, Town Hall 2<sup>nd</sup> floor conference room.

Minutes submitted by Laura Wiener.

**Members and Associates Present:** Wayne Chouinard, Seth Federspiel, Melissa Laube, Jeff Maxtutis, Marjorie Moores, Howard Muise, Corey Rateau, Jeanette Rebecchi, Scott Smith, Richard Turcotte, Laura Wiener

**Missing Members and Associates:** Cary Conrad, John Hurd, Victor Rivas,

**Members of the Public Present:** Cori Gaffny, 242 Forest Street.

1. **Public Comments.** Cori Gaffny read prepared remarks concerning speed on Forest Street between Park Ave. Extension and Washington Street, requesting digital speed monitors, and offered to help raise money with neighbors to cover the cost if necessary. Wayne had done some preliminary research into costs. TAC suggested that Cori should contact BoS as first step.
2. **Administration.**
  - a. Minutes of 9/10/14 meeting were approved unanimously.
  - b. Correspondence and handouts were reviewed. Rich announced that he was resigning from TAC, at the end of the year, or possibly Dec. 1.
3. **Town Reports.**
  - a. Laura reported that the Selectmen approved the recommendations for Arlington Center Parking management, including metering, from the Nelson/Nygaard study, and a new committee would be formed to start advancing the proposal. It is hoped that we could get meters in the ground starting in the spring. TAC voted that Howard will represent TAC on the Parking Implementation and Governance Committee. Jeanette and Melissa also expressed interest.
  - b. Wayne went through his written report and added that the intersection improvements for Mass/Jason/Mill are going to be implemented this fall, including island changes expected by 10/15.
  - c. Corey noted that the memo regarding private ways was not completely correct. Traffic laws can be enforced on private ways. The Police have been asked to collect data for the cemetery, including volume and destinations.
4. **Lowell Street.** Jeff, Jeanette and John met at the site. After collecting data, will meet with neighborhood. Corey is awaiting more counters to collect data.
5. **CLAMP.** Advertised on September 13. Bid Opening is Jan. 27, 2015.
6. **Town Day.** Overall positive feedback from residents.
7. **Flag Program Guidelines.** Guidelines were amended to include that reflective tape will be added to the flags and sticks. Guidelines were approved unanimously.
8. **Lake Street.** Working Group met Monday. Appears to be sufficient room for a signal at the Minuteman Bike path where it intersects with Lake Street. There was general agreement with the approach to the intersection, as proposed in the memo from September. WG will study options for timing of signal, and make a recommendation to TAC. Will need a contractor to design the signal. Will also want to run it by ABAC.
9. **Pavement Design Matrix.** Working Group needs to meet to finalize guidelines.
10. **Jason Street.** Working Group scheduled to take up Phase 2 at next meeting, 10/22. Melissa will replace Rich on the Working Group.
11. **Jason/Mass/Mill Streets.** Expected to begin construction this fall.
12. **Safe Routes to Schools.** Marjorie reported that they are working on finalizing the maps and updating the list of contacts. Arlington cannot apply for funding, because there is only one grant allowed per community, which we used at Dallin School.
13. **Downing Square.** Jeff presented some options for additional signage to address the Park Ave. access to the intersection which is unregulated. Concerns arose about too much signage making it more confusing. Decided to hold off for now on additional signage.

14. Paul Revere Road. Howard will get counts for Paul Revere Road at Park Ave.
15. Wildwood Ave. Shrubs need to be removed.
16. Clyde Terrace sidewalk request. Very hard to build a sidewalk there because of many impediments. Needs to be done at the same time as roadwork.
17. New Business. Seth asked if there was interest in forming a Working Group to explore electric vehicle readiness, to look at charging stations, permitting, and Town fleet. There are state grants available. Wayne offered to connect Seth with Ruthy Bennett, the Town's Energy Coordinator, who is also interested.
18. Adjourn. Meeting was adjourned at 9:35.

Meeting Materials:

- Meeting Packet for October: Agenda 10/8/14; Minutes of 9/10/14; Memo from TAC to Board of Selectmen re. Stop Sign at Intersection of Prospect Avenue and Hillside Avenue, dated September 22, 2014; Project List dated 10/8/2014; Individual Action List from 10/8/14; Pedestrian Flag Program Guidelines, dated October 8, 2014; Downing Square Proposed Additional Signage Draft.
- 2014 Town Day Booth Comments and Suggestions
- DSDS Warrant—2: Posted Speed Adherence
- Memo to TAC from Wayne Chouinard, Re. TAC Update Items, dated October 8, 2014
- Clyde Street Sidewalk Installation Issues
- Lake Street/Minuteman Bikeway Intersection—Activities since September, 2014.